- (ii) The annual average of such increases that have occurred over the Applicant's three most recent fiscal years.
- (2) Such retained earnings may be used to match a request for an equity investment. The terms and conditions of financial assistance will be determined by the Fund.
- (c)(1) In the case of a non-profit Applicant (other than a Credit Union), retained earnings that may be used for matching funds purposes shall consist of:
- (i) The increase in an Applicant's net assets (excluding the amount of any grants and value of other donated assets) that has occurred over the Applicant's most recent fiscal year; or
- (ii) The annual average of such increases that has occurred over the Applicant's three most recent fiscal years.
- (2) Such retained earnings may be used to match a request for a capital grant. The terms and conditions of financial assistance will be determined by the Fund.
- (d)(1) In the case of an insured credit union Applicant, retained earnings that may be used for matching funds purposes shall consist of:
- (i) The increase in retained earnings that have occurred over the Applicant's most recent fiscal year;
- (ii) The annual average of such increases that has occurred over the Applicant's three most recent fiscal years; or
- (iii) The entire retained earnings that have been accumulated since the inception of the Applicant provided that the conditions described in paragraph (d)(4) of this section are satisfied.
- (2) For the purpose of paragraph (d)(4) of this section, retained earnings shall be comprised of "Regular Reserves", "Other Reserves" (excluding reserves specifically dedicated for losses), and "Undivided Earnings" as such terms are used in the National Credit Union Administration's accounting manual.
- (3) Such retained earnings may be used to match a request for a capital grant. The terms and conditions of financial assistance will be determined by the Fund.

- (4) If the option described in paragraph (d)(1)(iii) of this section is used:
- (i) The Assistance Agreement shall require that:
- (A) An Awardee increase its member and/or non-member shares by an amount that is at least equal to four times the amount of retained earnings that is committed as matching funds; and
- (B) Such increase be achieved within 24 months from September 30 of the calendar year in which the applicable application deadline falls;
- (ii) The Applicant's Comprehensive Business Plan shall discuss its strategy for raising the required shares and the activities associated with such increased shares;
- (iii) The level from which the increases in shares described in paragraph (d)(4)(i) of this section will be measured will be as of September 30 of the calendar year in which the applicable application deadline falls; and
- (iv) Financial assistance shall be disbursed by the Fund only as the amount of increased shares described in paragraph (d)(4)(i)(A) of this section is achieved.
- (5) The Fund will allow an Applicant to utilize the option described in paragraph (d)(1)(iii) of this section for matching funds only if it determines, in its sole discretion, that the Applicant will have a high probability of success in increasing its shares to the specified amounts.
- (e) Retained earnings accumulated after the end of the Applicant's most recent fiscal year ending prior to the appropriate application deadline may not be used as matching funds.

Subpart F—Applications for Assistance

§ 1805.600 Notice of Funds Availability.

Each Applicant shall submit an application for financial or technical assistance under this part in accordance with the regulations in this subpart and the applicable NOFA published in the FEDERAL REGISTER. The NOFA will advise potential Applicants on how to obtain an application packet and will establish deadlines and other requirements. The NOFA may specify any limitations, special rules, procedures, and

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restrictions for a particular funding round. After receipt of an application, the Fund may request clarifying or technical information on the materials submitted as part of such application.

§ 1805.601 Application contents.

An Applicant shall provide information necessary to establish that it is, or will be, a CDFI. Unless otherwise specified in an applicable NOFA, each application must contain the information specified in the application packet including the items specified in this section.

- (a) Award request. An Applicant shall indicate:
- (1) The dollar amount, form, rates, terms and conditions of financial assistance requested; and
- (2) Any technical assistance needs for which it is requesting assistance.
- (b) *Previous Awardees*. In the case of an Applicant that has previously received assistance under this part, the Applicant shall demonstrate that it:
- (1) Has substantially met its performance goals and other requirements described in its previous Assistance Agreement(s); and
- (2) Will expand its operations into a new Investment Area(s), serve a new Targeted Population(s), offer more products or services, or increase the volume of its activities.
- (c) *Time of operation*. At the time of submission of an application, an Applicant that has been in operation for:
- (1) Three years or more shall submit information on its activities (as described in §1805.201 (b)(1) and (2) and paragraphs (d)(2) and (d)(9)(v) of this section) and financial statements (as described in paragraph (d)(4) of this section) for the three most recent fiscal years:
- (2) For more than one year, but less than three years, shall submit information on its activities (as described in $\S1805.201\ (b)(1)$ and (2) and paragraphs (d)(2) and (d)(9)(vi) of this section) and financial statements (as described in paragraph (d)(4) of this section) for each full fiscal year since its inception; or
- (3) For less than one year, shall submit information on its activities and financial statements as described in paragraph (d) of this section.

- (d) Comprehensive Business Plan. An Applicant shall submit a five-year Comprehensive Business Plan that addresses the items described in this paragraph (d). The Comprehensive Business Plan shall demonstrate that the Applicant shall have the capacity to operate as a CDFI upon receiving financial assistance from the Fund pursuant to this part.
- (1) Executive summary. The executive summary shall include a description of the institution, products and services, markets served or to be served, accomplishments to date and key points of the Applicant's five year strategy, and other pertinent information.
- (2) Community development track record. The Applicant shall describe its community development impact over the past three years, or for its period of operation if less than three years. In addition, an Applicant with a prior history of serving Investment Area(s) or Targeted Population(s) shall describe its activities, operations and community benefits created for residents of the Investment Area(s) or Targeted Population(s) for such periods as described in paragraph (c) of this section.
- (3) Operational capacity and risk mitigation strategies. An Applicant shall submit information on its policies and procedures for underwriting and approving loans and investments, monitoring its portfolio and internal controls and operations. An Applicant shall also submit a copy of its conflict of interest policies that are consistent with the requirements of § 1805.806.
- (4) Financial track record and strength. An Applicant shall submit historic financial statements for such periods as specified in paragraph (c) of this section. An Applicant shall submit:
 - (i) Audited financial statements;
- (ii) Financial statements that have been reviewed by a certified public accountant: or
- (iii) Financial statements that have been reviewed by the Applicant's Appropriate Federal Banking Agency. Such statements should include balance sheets or statements of financial position, income and expense statements or statements of activities, and cash flow statements. The Applicant